

**ESTIMATED COST TABLE**  
**FOR THE SMITH VALLEY PETITION PROCESS**

Depending on the circumstances, costs may be higher or lower. The following fee rule applies to a Petition for Controlled Ground Water Area.

ARM, 36.12.103(k) For a Controlled Groundwater Area Petition, Form No. 630, there shall be a fee of \$500 for filing this petition form, plus the petitioner shall also pay reasonable costs of giving notice including the newspaper and individual notice costs, printing and mailing costs, holding the hearing, conducting investigations, and making records pursuant to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, MCA, except the cost of salaries of the department personnel.

ITEM	Details	Total	Cost	Paid
Copies for 1st Mailing - 39 pages	274 Land Owners 110 Water Right Owners and Interested Persons 58 well drillers 40 calls - people who read in paper and want a copy.	482 Copies@ \$2.50/copy = \$1205.00 Petitioners  \$295.00 DNRC	\$1205.00	\$295.00 by DNRC
Postage for 1st Mailing	482 mailed - this does not include duplicate addresses.	\$1.52 for actual postage and \$.11 for envelopes. No charge for labels. 482 @\$1.63/envelope = \$785.66	\$785.66	
3 Official File Copies	Dept. pays for cost	0.00	0.00	0.00
Appendice Copies 400 pgs?	10	22.69 each	\$226.90	
1st Publication	Daily Interlake - 3 pages	3 Days	\$260.00	
Pre-Hearing Conf. Room	Need to accommodate 200 people - June 30	\$400	\$400.00	
Hearing Room	Need to accommodate 200 people - October 25	\$400	\$400.00	
Hearing Maps	Two large maps - one with no wells shown - one from petition	Estimate \$80.00	\$80.00	
Copies of proposal for decision (PFD)	Will be sent to all full and limited parties. Estimate 100 parties	Estimate 30 page proposal @ \$.07 per page x 100	\$210.00	
Mailing of PFD		Estimate 100 x \$1.63	\$163.00	
Request for Oral Argument	An adequate size meeting room will have to be found. This will depend on the number of requests.	Estimate \$150.00	\$150.00	
Final Order Copies	60 petitioners, 274 Land Owners, 110 Water Right Owners, and Interested Persons, 58 well drillers and any others who sign up as parties or interested persons during the process.	Estimate 510 copies of a 10-page document.	\$357.00	
Mailing Final Order	Estimate 502 envelopes containing 10 pages.	Estimate 510 x \$.90 postage and envelopes	\$459.00	
Final Order Publication	Daily Interlake - Estimate 10 page	Estimate \$86.00 per page for 3 weeks	\$2580.00	
Filing with Clerk and Recorder		0	0.00	0.00
<b>TOTALS</b>			<b>\$7276.56</b>	

June 17, 2005

EXHIBIT A